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INTERNATIONAL BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON RECOMMENDATIONS APPROVED BY WORLD RADIOCOMMUNICATION CONFERENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

IB Docket No. 16-185

On October 20, 2020 the World Radiocommunication Conference Advisory Committee (WRC-23 Advisory Committee or WAC) approved and provided for Commission consideration its draft recommendations on a number of issues that will be considered by the 2023 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-23). These recommendations are attached to this Public Notice (Attachment A).

Based upon an initial review of the draft recommendations forwarded to the Commission, the International Bureau, in coordination with other Commission Bureaus and Offices, tentatively concludes that we can generally support most of the attached WRC-23 Advisory Committee draft recommendations. We seek comment on the draft recommendations provided by the WRC-23 Advisory Committee (Attachment A).

The comments provided by interested parties will assist the FCC in its upcoming consultations with the U.S. Department of State and NTIA in the development of U.S. positions for WRC-23. The recommendations that are attached to this Public Notice may evolve in the course of interagency discussions as we approach WRC-23 and, therefore, do not constitute a final U.S. Government position on any issue.

The deadline for comments on the proposed recommendations is **November 2, 2020**. It is necessary that all comments be received by **November 2, 2020**, in order to allow sufficient time to finalize the U.S. position before commencement of regional WRC-23 preparatory meetings. All comments are to reference **IB Docket No. 16-185** and to specific recommendations by WAC document number.

Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments on or before **November 2, 2020**. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). *See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/>.
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 - Filings can be sent by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.
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 - Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail must be addressed to 45 L Street, NE, Washington DC 20554
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In addition, one copy of each pleading must be sent to: Dante Ibarra, Designated Federal Official, Global Strategy and Negotiation Division, International Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554; email: dante.ibarra@fcc.gov.

The complete texts of these recommendations are available by accessing the FCC's WRC-23 web site at: www.fcc.gov/wrc-23. Filings and comments are also available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554.

For further information, please contact Dante Ibarra at (202) 418-0610 or by email at: dante.ibarra@fcc.gov.

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¹ See *FCC Announces Closure of FCC Headquarters Open Window and Change in Hand-Delivery Policy*, Public Notice, 35 FCC Rcd 2788 (2020).